

RESOLUTION NO. 13-37

WHEREAS, the City Council and the Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama are apprised that Mr. Freddie L. Martin began his Federal Civil Service career on March 10, 1977 and retired January 3, 2013. On December 14, 2012, a retirement reception was held in his honor at the John Sparkman Complex, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama. Colonel Robert P. Sullivan, the Commander of the United States Army Materiel Command (USAMC) Logistics Support Activity (LOGSA) presided over the festivities; and,

WHEREAS, serving in many positions throughout his career, Mr. Martin served as Chief of the Patriot Logistics Data Management Branch; the Chief of the Logistics Item and Programs Division; Asset Visibility Center; and as Director of Logistics Data and Management Center, and,

WHEREAS, two years prior his retirement, Mr. Martin served as the Executive Officer to the Chief of Staff, United States Army Materiel Command Logistics Support Activity. He exercised day-to-day operational oversight of the Support Services Division; the Plans, Operations, and Security Division; Information Technology Division; and Resources Division. He was responsible for the development of processes and procedural improvements to the operations of the Activity's staff elements. He provided staff support to all hiring, budgetary, facility, disaster recovery, and security actions. During his career, Mr. Martin served as a formal and informal mentor and counselor for many employees and co-workers. He served on several advancement evaluation boards ensuring fair and equal consideration for minority employees; and,

WHEREAS, Freddie Martin continually demonstrated his extensive logistical expertise, leadership, and unquestionable professionalism by contributing to our Warfighters, receiving all required support during Unified Land Operations. His support to LOGSA contributed immeasurably to the success of the team. His achievements and exemplary performance are in keeping with the highest standards of government service and reflects great credit upon himself and the United States Army; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Martin is a graduate of the Army's Supply Management Intern Program, the United States Army Management Staff College, and the United States Army Sergeants Major Academy. He is a graduate of Oakwood University with a BS degree in Organizational Management. In addition, He retired in 2006 as Command Sergeant Major from the United States Army Reserves with over 30 years of service; and,

WHEREAS, he has received numerous awards throughout his career to include; three Meritorious Service Awards, two Commander Awards for Civilian Services, and several Army Achievement Awards. From March 1995 to January 2013, the outstanding professional skills, leadership, and ceaseless efforts of Mr. Freddie L. Martin, resulted in

transformative contributions to the effectiveness and success of the United States Army Materiel Command Logistics Support Activity efforts as the Army's authoritative source for logistics data; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Martin's leadership and resourcefulness was displayed during and after the 2011 Tennessee Valley tornado. He was essential in verifying the welfare of LOGSA's workforce and their families. His efforts were complicated due to the lack of a database use, sporadic telephone service and limited communication from supervisors. LOGSA accomplished 100% personnel accountability through his diligent, resourceful efforts including utilizing the Redstone Personnel Locator to gain emergency contact information. Mr. Martin contributed his time and effort during those trying times by keeping the workforce informed daily on the status of events. His outstanding accomplishments will continue to be realized and acknowledged for many years; and,

WHEREAS, Freddie Martin married his childhood sweetheart, Mae. They have one son, Christopher, who recently graduated from Auburn University with a nursing degree and is employed in the Birmingham area. Mr. Martin and Mae are active members of the Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church where Reverend Dr. O. Wendell Davis is pastor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, gratefully acknowledge, salute, and express special appreciation for the impact Mr. Freddie L. Martin made during his remarkable career with the United States Army, and wish him a long and healthy retirement.

ADOPTED on this the 24th day of January, 2013.

President of the City Council of the
City of Huntsville, Alabama

APPROVED on this the 24th day of January, 2013.

Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama